## REMARKS

Non-elected claims 14–17 are hereby canceled, reserving the right to file them again in a Divisional Application.

All of the rejected claims 18-20 have been canceled.

There are no further claim fees due by this Amendment. However, if there are any fees due with this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-1650.

Claim 21 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected claim but was indicated to contain allowable subject matter. Accordingly, claim 18 has been incorporated into claim 21 which is now an independent claim.

Accordingly, because all remaining claims 1–13 and 21-23 are believed to be clearly allowable, a notice to that effect is carnestly solicited.

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